

SF4835 - 2E - Office of Emergency Medical Services Created

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 Lead Agency: **Emergency Medical Services Office -Proposed**
 Other Agencies:
 Emergency Medical Services Bd Governors Office
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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Emergency Medical Services Bd					
General Fund	-	-	700	-	-
Emergency Medical Services Office -Proposed					
General Fund	-	-	2,365	3,217	217
Governors Office					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Legislature					
General Fund	-	-	-	2	1
State Total					
General Fund	-	-	3,065	3,219	218
Total	-	-	3,065	3,219	218
Biennial Total			3,065		3,437

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)		Biennium		Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Emergency Medical Services Bd					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Emergency Medical Services Office -Proposed					
General Fund	-	-	.25	1	1
Governors Office					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Legislature					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	.25	1	1

Lead LBO Analyst's Comment

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Legislature						
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Emergency Medical Services Office -Proposed						
General Fund	-	-	2,365	3,217	217	-
Governors Office						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditures	-	-	1	-	-	-
Absorbed Costs	-	-	(1)	-	-	-
Legislature						
General Fund	-	-	-	2	1	-
Total	-	-	3,065	3,219	218	
Biennial Total			3,065		3,437	
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
Emergency Medical Services Bd						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Emergency Medical Services Office -Proposed						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Governors Office						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-		-	

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General Fund		-	-	2,365	3,217	217
Total		-	-	2,365	3,217	217
Biennial Total				2,365		3,434

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)		Biennium			Biennium	
		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund		-	-	.25	1	1
Total		-	-	.25	1	1

LBO Analyst's Comment

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Biennial Total			2,365		3,434
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*					
General Fund	-	-	2,365	3,217	217
Total	-	-	2,365	3,217	217
Biennial Total			2,365		3,434
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-		-

Bill Description

Article 1, sections 1-2 make conforming changes to M.S. 144E.001 to define the Office of Emergency Medical Services (Office) and the director of the office.

Section 3 establishes the Office, effective January 1, 2025, specifies the governor must appoint a director for the Office with the advice and consent of the Senate, enumerates the powers and duties of the Office, stipulates the director may employ personnel as necessary, and provides the director must prepare a work plan to guide the office.

Section 4 establishes a Medical Services Division within the Office. This division shall be under the supervision of a deputy director appointed by the director. The deputy director of this division must be a physician licensed under chapter 147. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

Section 5 establishes an Ambulance Services Division within the Office. This division shall be under the supervision of a deputy director appointed by the director. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

Section 6 establishes the Emergency Medical Services Providers Division within the Office. This division shall be under the supervision of a deputy director appointed by the director. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

Section 7 establishes the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, defines membership, appointing bodies, terms, compensation, election of officers, meeting frequency requirements, and duties. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

Section 8 establishes the Emergency Medical Services Physician Advisory Council, defines membership, appointing bodies, terms, compensation, election of officers, meeting frequency requirements, and duties. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

Section 9 establishes the Labor and Emergency Medical Service Providers Advisory Council, defines membership, appointing bodies, terms, compensation, election of officers, meeting frequency requirements, and duties. This section is effective January 1, 2025.

Section 10 establishes an Alternative EMS Response Model Pilot Program, effective August 1, 2024. The program transfers from the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (Board) to the office effective January 1, 2025.

Sections 11-18 make conforming changes to M.S. 144E to replace references to the Board with references to the Office. These sections are effective January 1, 2025.

Sections 19-21 provide initial terms and first meeting dates for the Councils specified in sections 7-9.

Section 22 directs the transfer of responsibilities from the Board to the Office and provides for the initial appointment of the office director.

Section 23 appropriates \$6,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 from the general fund to the Board for the pilot program established in section 10. This one-time appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.

Section 24 instructs the revisor of statutes to make certain conforming changes.

Section 25 repeals the Board as established in M.S. 144E.

Article 2 makes conforming statute changes.

Assumptions

It is assumed that all of the duties and responsibilities of the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (Board) will be transferred to the Office of Emergency Medical Services (Office) on January 1, 2025.

It is assumed that pursuant to M.S. 15.039, all classified and unclassified positions associated with the responsibilities being transferred are transferred with their incumbents to the new Office effective January 1, 2025. Because the current executive director position is compensated similarly to Group I agency heads, it is assumed that the governor-appointed Office director will be compensated at the same rate as the current Board-appointed executive director.

It is assumed that the governor will appoint a director-designee by October 1, 2024 and the appointment will become effective January 1, 2025.

It is assumed that the Board will cease to meet after January 1, 2025, and that all board member-related costs such as travel expenses and per diems will no longer be incurred. This cost reduction is offset by per diems and reimbursements for the EMS Advisory Council and EMS Physician Advisory Council (discussed further below).

Per diems and reimbursements are assumed for the Labor and Emergency Medical Service Providers Advisory Council. It is assumed this council meets quarterly and is comprised of 13 public members.

It is assumed the proposed councils will use the meeting space that is currently used by the Board.

It is assumed that council members will be compensated as provided in Minnesota Statutes 15.059 (Advisory Councils and Committees).

It is assumed that two existing staff performing duties similar to those outlined for the Deputy Director of the Ambulance Services Division and Deputy Director of the EMS Providers Division will be reclassified as deputy directors, while the deputy director of the Medical Services Division would be a new hire. Office and IT equipment, supplies, training, and travel costs are assumed for the new deputy director hire. It is assumed that there is sufficient existing office space and furniture to accommodate the new hire.

It is assumed that the new deputy director hire will begin employment on April 1, 2025.

It is assumed that the reclassification of two existing staff to deputy directors will be effective February 1, 2025.

Costs for the first six months of the pilot program described in article 1, section 10 are shown on the Board fiscal note; costs for the second half of fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026 are shown on this fiscal note. It is estimated that the appropriation specified in article 1, section 23 would fund 3-5 pilot programs depending on geography and participants.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Advisory Councils

Current Board member costs and proposed EMS Advisory Council and EMS Physician Advisory Council member costs are assumed to offset based on a four-year average of member costs provided by Board staff and an estimate of

Council/Committee member costs based on M.S. 15.059 developed by Legislative Budget Office (LBO) staff. Depending on Council/Committee compensation and reimbursement claim rates, there may be a slight cost or savings difference between the current Board and proposed councils.

Per diem and reimbursement costs for the Labor and Emergency Medical Service Providers Advisory Council are estimated below, based on M.S. 15.059.

13 Public Members	FY25	FY26	FY27
Number of Meetings	2	4	4
Per Diems	1,430	2,860	2,860
Mileage Reimbursements	2,648	5,296	5,296
Lodging Reimbursements	2,450	4,900	4,900
Meal Reimbursements	1,118	2,236	2,236
Total	7,646	15,292	15,292

Per Diem Formula - \$55 x 13 public members x number of meetings per year

Mileage Reimbursement Formula - 0.67 mileage rate x 152 miles round trip x 13 public members x number of meetings per year

Lodging Reimbursement Formula - \$175 room cost x 7 public members x number of meetings per year. Assumes half of members will claim lodging reimbursement.

Meal Reimbursement Formula - \$43 per day meal cost x 13 public members x meetings per year

Division Deputy Director Positions - Compensation Impact

Position	FY25	FY26	FY27
Deputy Director, MSD - New Hire	36,821	147,283	147,283
Deputy Directors, ASD & EMS PD - Reclassified	16,807	40,337	40,337
Total Salary + Fringe Impact	53,628	187,620	187,620

The cost shown for reclassified positions is the net of current position compensation and estimated deputy director compensation. Estimated deputy director compensation is shown below and is based on comparable executive branch positions.

1.0 FTE / 2088 Hours	Salary	Benefits + Fringe	Total Compensation
Managerial Plan 20A 17M	105,864	41,599	147,283

Benefits estimate includes employer FICA, retirement, insurance, and deferred compensation costs.

Fiscal Impact Summary

	FY25	FY26	FY27
Council Member Costs	7,646	15,292	15,292
Deputy Director, MSD - New Hire	36,821	147,283	147,283
Deputy Directors, ASD & EMSPD - Reclassified	16,807	40,337	40,337
Office Equipment, IT, Ancillary for New Hire	3,446	13,783	13,783
Proposed Office Subtotal	64,719	216,694	216,694
EMS Response Model Pilot Program	2,300,000	3,000,000	
EMS Office Fiscal Note Total	2,364,719	3,216,694	216,694

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Staff and Labor and Emergency Medical Service Providers Advisory Council costs will be ongoing.

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

Minnesota Statutes 15.059, Advisory Councils and Committees, available online at:
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/15.059>.

Minnesota Statutes 15.039, Effect of Transfer of Powers Among Agencies, available online at:
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/15.039>.

Minnesota Statutes 16B.37, Reorganization of Agencies, available online at:
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/16B.37>.

Commissioner's Plan, https://mn.gov/mmb-stat/000/az/labor-relations/commissioners-plan/contract/Commissioners%20Plan%2023-25%20-%20clean%20copy_amended%202.23.pdf.

EMSRB board member cost data.

Minnesota Management and Budget, Agency Head Current Salaries January 1, 2024, <https://mn.gov/mmb-stat/documents/agency-head-salary-limits/agency-head-pay-rates-january-2024.pdf>.

Minnesota State Retirement System Handbook, <https://www.msrs.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/2024-02/2020%20GERP%20Handbook.pdf>.

Minnesota State Employee Group Insurance Program Rate Guide, <https://mn.gov/mmb-stat/segip/doc/rate-guide.pdf>.

IRS Social Security and Medicare withholding rates, <https://www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc751>.

Managerial Plan, <https://mn.gov/mmb-stat/000/az/labor-relations/managerial-plan/contract/Managerial%20Plan%202023-25%20-%20Clean%20Copy.pdf>.

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Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

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Dollars in Thousands					
General Fund	-	-	700	-	-
Total	-	-	700	-	-
Biennial Total			700		-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

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General Fund	-	-	700	-	-	-
Total	-	-	700	-	-	-
Biennial Total			700			-
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
General Fund	-	-	700	-	-	-
Total	-	-	700	-	-	-
Biennial Total			700			-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-

Bill Description

This bill would create a new state Office of Emergency Medical Services. It would transfer all existing duties and responsibilities from the existing Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board to the newly created Office of Emergency Medical Services to be effective on January 1, 2025. This office would be operated under an office director as appointed by the Governor. As amended in this engrossment the bill calls for the appointment of three deputy directors, to be appointed by the Director. A Deputy Director of the established Medical Services Division, whom must be a Minnesota licensed physician under chapter 147, A Deputy Director of the established Ambulance Services Division, and a Deputy Director of the established Emergency Medical Service Providers Division.

The bill also creates an alternate EMS response model, that would allow an advanced life support ambulance service to partner with one or more basic life support ambulances to provide higher levels of care while also providing staffing support to BLS ambulances that may be facing staffing challenges and assist ALS ambulance services in expanding their call volume. The pilot seeks to determine if such a model leads to a more sustainable EMS system in portions of rural Minnesota. An appropriation of \$6,000,000 is included. The pilot program expires on June 30, 2026.

Assumptions

This analysis assumes that the agency transfer would take place in accordance with the provisions of M.S.15.039 as highlighted in the bill and that all assets funding and personnel would be transferred to the newly created Office as would all existing obligations including existing grants, contracts and obligations.

It is beyond the scope of the EMSRB to project potential costs of the newly established office.

The assumption for this fiscal analysis for the pilot projects is limited to the first six months of the program. A minimum of 60 days would be required to solicit grant proposals in accordance with procurement rules. There is the potential for variation to expenses depending on how many proposals are received and how many areas of the state wish to and have the capacity to participate.

EMSRB estimates 200 hours of staff time to generate, disseminate, and review initial project proposals in accordance with state procurement policy. This figure could increase in the event of multiple competitive proposals for the same geographic area.

It is assumed that for days 90-180 that up to 4 pilot models could be in operation. Estimates for the initial year cost would be a \$400,000 - \$500,000 grant for each unit placed into service. For the purposes of this analysis a yearly cost of \$500,000 is identified.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

The bill identifies that all responsibilities will be transferred as of 01/01/2025. This would be the exact halfway point through FY25. Transfer outs were calculated at 50% of the FY25 appropriations to the Board.

The base general fund (1000) appropriation for EMSRB for FY25 is \$6,176,000, 50% is \$3,088,000.

For fund 2000 that comprises seatbelt relief pass through funding to the EMS regions, this funding could fluctuate based on calculations from the Department of Public Safety. The FY24 budgeted figures of \$141,750 was used as a base, 50% of this amount, or \$70,875 was accounted for and transferred. Fees for fulfilling data collection is also included in fund 2000, the full existing cash balance of \$131,705 is transferred.

Fund 2043 is a restricted gifts fund, the full cash balance of \$10,548 is transferred.

Fund 3000 refers to the Emergency Medical Services for Children Grant which is passed through to grantees. Estimated amounts for EMSC funding are at \$80,000 for FY2025 due to budget uncertainties with the federal government, 50% or \$40,000 is transferred.

Total amount transferred out in FY25 is \$3,341,128, this would be in addition to any funding carried forward from FY24 to FY25 in accordance with state biennium budgeting procedures.

With the appropriation identified in section 23 up to a maximum of \$600,000 is available for FY25 for grants administration and oversight pursuant to Minnesota Statute 16B.98 subdivision 14. Any unexpended balance would be transferred to the new office subject to M.S. 15.039.

These amounts reference transfers to the new entity and do not reflect actual costs to state government and are provided for informational purposes.

Costs associated with procurement and grant review-- \$12,000 200 hours at \$60.00 per hour.

Related to the pilot program

Up to 4 project pilot ALS grants for 90 days of coverage-- \$500,000

The number of staffed vehicles provided for under each pilot project could vary, and some projects could come online sooner based on established interest. An estimated additional \$188,000 in costs could be incurred based on timing of project implementation.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

This program is slated to sunset on June 30, 2026. If the pilot achieves its desired objectives, there may be a desire to continue it. It is possible that those long-term costs could go up or go down, funding from other sources such as local government units is a possibility. It is unlikely that participating ambulance services would be able to continue to provide these services with out dedicated funding.

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

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Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
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Total	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-		-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

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Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-
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General Fund						
Expenditures		-	-	1	-	-
Absorbed Costs		-	-	(1)	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
General Fund						
		-	-	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-

Bill Description

Establishes an Office of Emergency Medical Services to replace the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board; specifies duties for the office; transfers duties; establishes advisory councils.

Assumptions

The legal and appointments team will prepare the appointments required under this bill as part of their regular appointments work.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

The Governor's Office will absorb the costs of this work.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**Local Fiscal Impact****References/Sources**

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Biennial Total				-		-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)		Biennium			Biennium	
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Total		-	-	-	-	-

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Biennial Total				-		-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-

Bill Description

Establishes the Office of Emergency Medical Services to replace the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board, transfers duties, creates an advisory council, and amends MN Statutes 2022, sections 62J.49 subdivision 1; 144E.001.

Assumptions

MIAC is named in the bill as an appointing authority to one seat on this new advisory council. MIAC handles appointments at our quarterly public board meetings as part of our normal business with our executive board who votes and appoints members.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

NA

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**Local Fiscal Impact**

NA

References/Sources

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Dollars in Thousands					
General Fund	-	-	-	2	1
Total	-	-	-	2	1
Biennial Total			-		3

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions are shown in parentheses.

*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2		Biennium			Biennium
Dollars in Thousands		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
					FY2027
General Fund	-	-	-	-	2
Total	-	-	-	-	2
Biennial Total				-	3
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	2
Total	-	-	-	-	2
Biennial Total				-	3
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-	-

Bill Description

The bill establishes, in part, an Office of Emergency Medical Services effective Jan 1, 2025. The governor will appoint the director of the office with the advice and consent of the senate. The Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board is repealed.

The bill also establishes an Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council which includes one representative and one senator as council members. The bill states that legislative members may receive per diem and reimbursement of expenses according to their body's adopted rules. The advisory council's first meeting must convene by Feb 1, 2025, and must meet at least quarterly thereafter. The council does not expire.

Assumptions

1. The cost of the establishment and ongoing operations of the Office of Emergency Medical Services and the non-legislative member meeting participation cost of the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council and the Emergency Medical Services Physician Advisory Committee will be addressed in the fiscal note for "Emergency Medical Services Office Proposed".
2. The Senate will confirm the governor's appointment of the director of the Office of Emergency Medical Services during one of its floor sessions held during a regular legislative session. No additional funds will be needed.
3. The Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board is to be repealed under the bill. The current board does have two ex officio non-voting legislative members. Typically, ex officio members serve without compensation or reimbursement of their expenses.
4. The Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council will meet quarterly starting Feb 1, 2025. Two meetings will occur in FY25 with neither of the meetings being held during legislative interim. Four meetings will occur in FY26 with three meetings being held during legislative interim. Four meetings will be held in FY27 with two meetings being held during legislative interim. For this note we assume that all meetings will be held within the Capitol campus.
5. The bill states that legislative members (one representative, one senator) may receive payment of per diems and reimbursement of expenses for their participation in the council meetings, New funds will be needed for the House and Senate.
6. Legislative member meeting participation costs includes the following per member, per legislative interim meeting: per diem (\$86 senators, \$86 representatives), and \$102 round trip mileage (152 round trip mile average). Half of the legislative members will be reimbursed for lodging expenses (\$150/night senators, \$175/night representatives).

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

<u>Council Legislative Member Meeting Participation Cost</u>			
Cost Category	FY25	FY26	FY27
Senate Member Mtg Participation Cost	0	1,014	676
House Member Mtg Participation Cost	0	1,089	726
Total Member Mtg Participation Cost (rounded)	0	2,000	1,000
<u>Total Cost</u>			
Cost Category	FY25	FY26	FY27
Total Member Mtg Participation Cost (rounded)	0	2,000	1,000
Total Cost (rounded)	0	2,000	1,000
Total Cost Absorbed (rounded)	0	0	0
Net Total Cost (rounded)	0	2,000	1,000

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Similar costs will be ongoing since the council does not expire.

Local Fiscal Impact

N/A

References/Sources

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